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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 09 March 2006 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☒ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

*The claims included with this amendment were an exact duplicate of those submitted with the 1.312 amendment on 2/7/06 and were already entered on 3/7/06. The IDS submitted was also a duplicate that was previously considered on 1/17/06. As such, no new documents, that had not been previously addressed, were included in this amendment.*



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